(d) whether there are reports regarding misuse of this amount and if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government against the organization found guilty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Task force on falling sex ratio

1358. SHRI R. KAMRAJ: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to set up a task force on falling sex ratio in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that in some States the sex ratio had reached at shockingly low levels;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is also a fact that Government had taken a decision to monitor the programme implementation by the voluntary organisations at the grassroot level in more effective manner; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (e) Declining trend in sex ratio has been a matter of concern for all in the country. States/Union Territories like Punjab, Harayna, Himachal Pradesh, Chandigarh and Delhi are among those having lowest levels of sex ratio in the country. State/Union Territories wise sex ratio is given in the Statement (*See* below).

For effective programme implementation, a National Monitoring and Inspection Committee including representative from NGOs, National Commission for Women, Department of Women and Child Development etc. has been constituted at the Central level to take stock of ground realities by field visits to the problem States. The Committee visits vulnerable States/districts and submit the report to the Central Supervisory Board (CSB) and concerned State/district authorities. It also monitors

the prosecutions launched against un-registered bodies and bodies violating provisions of the Act/Rules and directions of the Supreme Court of India in the matter. Keeping in view of these facts there is no proposal at present for setting up a task force on this issue.

Statement

State/UTs wise Sex ratio and Child Sex Ratio (0-6) years during 1991-2001

Indian State/Union territory*	Sex ratio		Child Sex Ratio	
	1991	2001	1991	2001
1	2	3	4	5
India	927	933	945	927
Jammu & Kashmir	896	892	NA	941
Himachal Pradesh	976	968	951	896
Punjab	882	876	875	798
Chandigarh*	790	777	899	845
Uttaranchal	936	962	948	908
Haryana	865	861	879	819
Delhi*	827	821	915	868
Rajasthan	910	921	916	909
Uttar Pradesh	876	898	927	916
Bihar	907	919	953	942
Sikkim	878	875	965	963
Arunachal Pradesh	859	893	982	964
Nagaland	886	900	993	964
Manipur	958	978	974	957
Mizoram	921	935	969	964
Tripura	945	948	967	966
Meghalaya	955	972	986	973
Assam	923	935	975	965
West Bengal	917	934	967	960

1	2	3	4	5
Jharkhand	922	941	979	965
Orissa	971	972	967	953
Chhattisgarh	985	989	974	975
Madhya Pradesh	912	919	941	932
Gujarat	934	920	928	883
Daman & Diu*	969	710	958	926
Dadar & Nagar Haveli*	952	812	1,013	979
Maharashtra	934	922	946	913
Andhra Pradesh	972	978	975	961
Karnataka	960	965	960	946
Goa	967	961	964	938
Lakshadweep*	934	948	941	959
Kerala	1,036	1058	958	960
Tamil Nadu	974	987	948	942
Pondicherry*	979	1,001	963	967
Andaman & Nicobar Islands*	818	846	973	957

Source: Census 1991 & 2001, O/o Registrar General of India
*Union Territory

Lack of Medical facilities

1359. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of citizens are deprived of good medical care owing to the prohibitive costs of private medical care and lack of adequate State sponsored facilities; and

(b) the action Government propose to take to provide all citizens access to affordable medical treatment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes, Sir.